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Kowloon	6.40	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	2.30	3.45	5.10
Yau Ma Tei	6.50	9.25	10.40	12.10	1.25	2.40	3.55	5.20
Shatin	7.05	9.40	10.55	12.25	1.40	2.55	4.10	5.35
Tai Po	7.15	9.50	11.05	12.35	1.50	3.05	4.20	5.45
Tai Po Market	7.25	10.00	11.15	12.45	2.00	3.15	4.30	5.55
Fanning	7.35	10.10	11.25	12.55	2.10	3.25	4.40	6.05
Shung Shui	7.45	10.20	11.35	13.05	2.20	3.35	4.50	6.15
Shum Chun	7.55	10.30	11.45	13.15	2.30	3.45	5.00	6.25

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Shum Chun	7.55	10.30	11.45	13.15	2.30	3.45	5.00	6.25
Shung Shui	8.05	10.40	11.55	13.25	2.40	3.55	5.10	6.35
Fanning	8.15	10.50	12.05	13.35	2.50	4.05	5.20	6.45
Tai Po Market	8.25	11.00	12.15	13.45	3.00	4.15	5.30	6.55
Tai Po	8.35	11.10	12.25	13.55	3.10	4.25	5.40	7.05
Shatin	8.45	11.20	12.35	14.05	3.20	4.35	5.50	7.15
Yau Ma Tei	8.55	11.30	12.45	14.15	3.30	4.45	6.00	7.25
Kowloon	9.05	11.40	12.55	14.25	3.40	4.55	6.10	7.35

SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

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Kowloon	6.40	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	2.30	3.45	5.10
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JAPANESE VOLUNTEERS

The Volunteers were no match for the Japanese in a baseball league game played on the Happy Valley diamond yesterday evening. At the end of the fifth inning the score was 20 runs to 3 in favour of the Japanese. The Volunteers had a sixth inning and made some atonement by scoring two runs.

The score by innings was:—

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Japanese	8	3	1	3	0	—	—	—	—	20
Volunteers	1	0	0	1	1	2	—	—	—	5

GOLF

K.G.C. SUMMER CUP.

The draw for the Kowloon Golf Club's Summer Cup competition is:—

E. A. Beaumont v. E. A. da Rosa; S. J. Jordain v. A. J. Baker; T. E. Jones v. A. Brooksbank; W. Paterson v. B. Petheram; A. A. Lopes v. R. McDermid; W. J. Carroll v. J. Bottomley; J. H. Gelling v. T. H. Trevor; K. S. Robertson v. F. X. Remedios; J. D. Thompson v. F. Oliver; A. C. S. Burford v. F. E. Remedios; A. W. Brown v. V. Goulborne; A. W. Roberts v. V. C. Labrum.

The best 16 cards, medal play (less handicaps) will qualify for the first round. Those drawn for have to be played off by September 14th.

JADE

THE FASHIONABLE STONE FOR A "BLUE-GREEN" AUTUMN.

With the "blue-green" season which Paris has decreed for the coming autumn, there is to be another revival of jade jewellery. Jade ornaments are particularly suitable for the new shades of blue and green which are to be so fashionable. Jade carvings are to be worn again, as the stone adapts itself so admirably to the vogue for long drop earrings, which will accompany the new severe coiffures and the mode for the fall exposure of the ears.

A delightful set of ornaments were seen recently in the Rue de la Paix. The earrings were of the deep, dull green Maori jade, which, though less precious than the Chinese variety, is none the less beautiful and very becoming to the blonde woman. They were of a long, flat, oval shape, set in a rim of silver, while from each hung a tiny diamond drop.

ORIGIN OF ITS NAME

Whether it is for its rarity, or its beauty, or the superstition it carries of bringing good luck to its owner—for in New Zealand as well as in China it is known as the lucky stone—jade rarely loses for long its hold on feminine favour. Oddly enough, its name comes from the Spanish word for colic, *yeda*, and it was so called by the Spanish conquerors of Mexico, who brought it back with them to Europe. It was quarried there in olden days by the Aztecs, who held that when powdered and swallowed in small quantities it was an unfailing remedy for that dread disease.

Jade varies enormously in colour, some being almost white, some pale sea-green, some streaked green and white, some of a deeper hue, and the most priceless of all, now unobtainable and only to be seen in museum specimens, an almost king-fisher blue. Much of it comes from Khotan in Chinese Turkestan, and is carried by caravans into China itself by way of the Jade Gate, a narrow opening in the most romantic survival of all the ancient monuments of architecture, the Great Wall of China.

The Chinese lapidaries are very skilled craftsmen, and it is well they should be, for jade is a hard and difficult quartz and needs the greatest care when being engraved.

At a district Court Martial at Whitfield Barracks, Kowloon, yesterday, Sergeant Samuel Robertson, 38th Heavy Battery, R.A., was found guilty of being drunk on August 23rd. Sentence will be promulgated in due course.

A highway robbery took place yesterday morning between Wongtichong Village and Wengachong Gap. It appears that four men, one of whom was believed to be armed with a revolver, hid themselves in some bushes, suddenly springing out upon a Deep Water Bay fisherman and six of his coolies who were walking along the road. The robbers stole \$3.50 from their victims, and all escaped, with exception of one man who has been arrested.

Early in August, an unemployed seaman, named David Boyd, was fined \$5 at the Central Magistracy for being drunk and disorderly at West Point, and the magistrate allowed him 72 hours in which to find the money to pay the fine. When the three days' grace expired, the man failed to turn up with the money, but yesterday morning, Sergeant Noloth was walking in Kowloon, when he saw the defendant in Nathan Road. He arrested him, and yesterday afternoon Boyd appeared before Mr. S. B. B. McElderry, who sent him to prison for three days with hard labour. The defendant said he had been unable to find the amount of the fine.

DISHONEST SPECIAL GUARD. EMBEZZLEMENT OF EQUIPMENT MONEY.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday, before Mr. S. B. B. McElderry, a Chinese who was a member of the special district guard corps attached to Taihang Village, Causeway Bay, was charged with embezzlement.

From the evidence it was shown that in the early days of the strike, a self-defence corps was formed at Taihang Village for the protection of the inhabitants, who in addition to offering their services as volunteers, contributed to the cost of the clothing and equipment of the corps. The defendant had been entrusted with the work of collecting subscriptions and placing orders for clothing, and it was stated that he collected the sum of \$300 and bought a certain amount of clothing, leaving a balance in hand of \$88, which it was alleged he had misappropriated, by failing to return it to the treasurer.

Pleading guilty, the defendant was sentenced to two months' hard labour.

GAMBLING RAID SEQUEL. CHINESE WOMAN FINED.

On the 18th of August, Sergt. Carey was in charge of a raid carried out at No. 14, Graham Street, Central, and a sequel to this raid took place at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon before Mr. S. B. B. McElderry.

Chung Tsim Hing, a Chinese woman, was charged with being the keeper of a gaming house at No. 14, Graham Street, first floor, for the purpose of playing *tan-tan*.

She was found guilty and fined \$50. The \$50 found on her and a sum of \$11 picked up from the table at the time of the raid, were confiscated.

PREVARICATION.

LORRY DRIVER FINED \$50.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, a Chinese lorry driver was charged with failing to obey a police signal and also with failing to have efficient brakes on his lorry.

Sergeant Hallam stated that whilst he was engaged in measuring the tracks of a motor bus which had toppled over in Chatham Road, defendant passed, entirely ignoring the signals given, and failed to stop. When the lorry was subsequently examined it was found that the brakes were not efficient. The Sergeant stated that traffic was being held up at the time.

Defendant produced a witness, who stated that there was no traffic held up. His Worship took a serious view of the case, and said that defendant had called prevaricating evidence to deny the police statement. A fine of \$25 on each charge was imposed.

TWO-DAY FLIGHT TO INDIA. PREPARATIONS FOR AEROPLANE SERVICE.

Discussions have been opened between the Air Ministry and three different concerns, a view to inaugurating the aeroplane service to India early next year.

Tenders have been invited for the right to operate this new and important airway, and these are now under review by the Civil Aviation Department of the Air Ministry.

It is intended not only that the new service shall offer a rapid means of transport between England and the East, but that it shall serve as a feeder for the airships, which will link up this country with India in 1927.

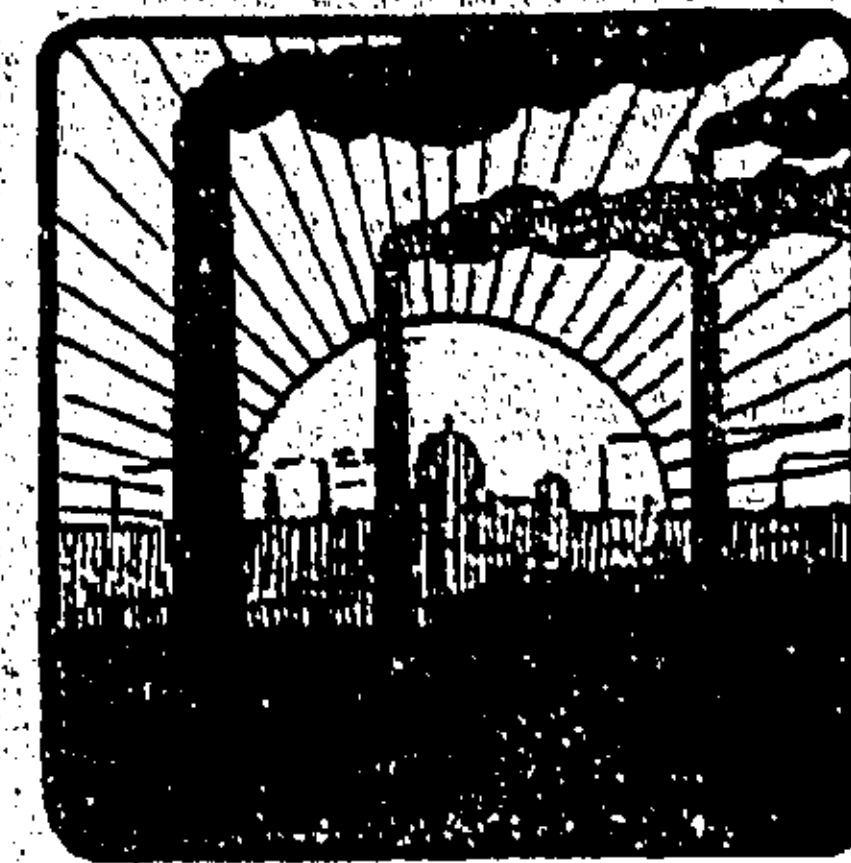
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SCENES IN ITS CLOSING STAGES.

The closing scenes of the notorious "Scopes" (religion) case, were described in the following terms by the New York correspondent of the *Daily Mail*, in a message dated July 21st:—The great comedy of "Monkeyville" is ended. It closed, amid the laughter of the whole world, with a verdict of "Guilty" against Mr. Scopes, whom the judge fined \$20. Mr. Scopes was charged with violating the State law of Tennessee at Dayton ("Monkeyville") by teaching his pupils in a public school that man is descended from the lower animals.

As a screaming farce the trial reached its climax yesterday evening, when Judge Huuston suddenly decided to transfer the proceedings from the court room to the lawn outside. The scene was the most ludicrous in the history of Anglo-Saxon jurisprudence.

In the presence of an immense crowd of country folk who chewed gum, smoked, and behaved generally as if they were attending a circus, the judge took his seat on a platform in the open air.

He then allowed Mr. W. J. Bryan (the leading counsel for the prosecution) to be called as a witness. For two hours the apostle of fundamentalism was cross-examined by Mr. Darrow (for the defence) on such questions as "Do you believe the whole world was swallowed by Noah?" and "Where did Cain's wife come from?"

Throughout these strange proceedings ginger "pop" and other liquids were sold among the spectators. The anti-climax came next morning when the judge expunged the whole of Mr. Bryan's testimony from the records and the lawyers of both sides agreed to abstain from addressing the jury.

The jury retired for only seven minutes before finding their verdict. An appeal was allowed, and will be heard in September.

SUPERSTITIOUS CRIMINALS.

SINISTER PLEADERS FOR DIVINE AID.

Criminals are amazingly superstitious. Some—the Italians, for instance—even link up religion and crime. As night begins to fall, sinister and shadowy figures may be seen in the great Church of St. Peter in Rome, praying for Divine blessing on the project they have planned for that night. A similar sight may often be seen in Notre-Dame, Paris. But London "crooks" do not frequent St. Paul's or the Abbey.

The apaches of Paris are extraordinarily superstitious. One of their pet beliefs is that to touch a hunchback's deformity will assuredly bring them luck; and there is a shop of apaches which carried the severed head of a rat. The loss of this gruesome relic caused great consternation. The thugs and hordes of the East have some queer rites, one being to pour goat's milk on the ground to propitiate the god, *Devi*. The Indian also considers it unlucky to sneeze during the commission of a crime.

English criminals will often give up a burglary if the house is next to or opposite a church—although to break into a shop or house near a police station is considered a lucky enterprise. Charles Peace even lived near a police station while the country was scouring for him. The writer has known several burglars who have regularly distributed alms to street beggars and charities, and many temporarily successful criminals who have been punctilious in church-going. Many pickpockets carry pieces of coal or chalk for luck.

Hotel thieves have a horror of robbing a room bearing the number thirteen. Some criminals will not do "business" on Sunday, and a prison chaplain will tell you that a few days before trial many prisoners will develop religious fervour in the belief that they may thus escape the penalty of wrongdoing.

CORRESPONDENCE.

HONGKONG'S INDIGNATION MEETING.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR.—As Chairman of the mass meeting held on Tuesday, I addressed yesterday a letter to Mr. D. H. Cameron of the Standard Oil Company as a representative American who was present at that meeting, expressing my very sincere regret at the unfortunate expressions given vent to by one of the speakers, at the same time assuring him what I felt sure most Americans present and in Hongkong will have realised namely, that it in no sense reflects the opinion of the British Community, here who have, over a course of many years, enjoyed valued friendships amongst the American community, and have the highest respect for them.

Since the matter has been referred to in the Press, it is perhaps desirable that this should also be publicly made known.

Had I realised that the Speaker's remarks would be taken seriously I would have pointed this out at the meeting. I am sure that I voice the feelings of the entire British Community here when I say that we all regret the attack made upon them and disassociate ourselves with it.

Thanking you to publish this letter.—Yours faithfully,

P. H. HOLYOAK,
Chairman of the Mass Meeting.
Hongkong, August 27th, 1925.

The Hon. Mr. Holyoak also writes:—May I take this opportunity of thanking both you and your Staff for the generous assistance which you have rendered in connection with the three recent meetings which have been held in the Theatre Royal and without which the meetings could hardly have been the success they were.

A DISCLAIMER.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR.—Will you please allow me to state that I am not the Mr. Best referred to in your columns who spoke at the mass meeting held at the Theatre Royal on Tuesday evening.—Yours faithfully,

H. J. BEST.
P.W.D., Hongkong, August 26th.

SPECIAL POLICE.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR.—I shall be much obliged if you will publish in your paper the following extract from a letter addressed to me by the Colonial Secretary at the direction of His Excellency the Governor, dated August 22nd, 1925:—

"The work done by the members of the Special Police was most useful and I am to request you to inform the Chief Inspectors, Supervisors and Special Constables that His Excellency considers that the community owes a debt of gratitude to them for their valuable services."

This letter was sent to me under cover of a letter from the Captain Superintendent of Police, in which he stated that he wished to express on behalf of all ranks of the Police Force their gratitude for the assistance given to them by the Special Police.—Yours faithfully,

M. H. TURNER,
Adjutant, Special Police.

THE BORDER SKIRMISH.

RED FORCES STILL CONTROL SHUMCHUN.

From later reports received at Police Headquarters yesterday morning regarding the skirmish at Shumchun, the small railway town on the Chinese side of the frontier, it is apparent that the first report circulated on Wednesday was incorrect.

In the first information it was gathered that the fight was between rival factions each striving for the control of the Shumchun goway of the frontier. It was understood, on Wednesday, that the "Red" troops had been ousted.

From a later statement, reaching Police Headquarters yesterday, it is shown that such was not the case. It now appears that the "Reds" are in a stronger position than before and have full control of Shumchun.

REPORTER WHO WAS ALARMED. INTIMIDATION CHARGES DISMISSED.

The case in which Tam Fat, a night soil contractor, was charged with having intimidated Lau Man Chau, a Chinese reporter of the *Tsun Wan Yat Po*, was concluded before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

Mr. Leask appeared for the defence whilst Mr. Somerset Fitzroy was Counsel for the prosecution.

Defendant, in evidence, stated that an article derogatory to his interests had appeared in the *Tsun Wan Yat Po*, and it angered him. He then took a copy of the newspaper to the office and requested that it should be corrected. He saw the editor who told him to send a letter in and it would be put right. While he was talking with the editor, plaintiff came in and he (defendant) told him that he would be prosecuted. He had not used any threatening language to plaintiff. Next day he wrote four letters and delivered them personally to the offices of the four Chinese newspapers for which plaintiff worked. One newspaper only, the *Wah Tze Yat Po*, published his letter.

Asked by Mr. Fitzroy why he had let three days pass without making his complaint, defendant said that he took time to think the matter over.

Mr. Ho Ha Sing, the editor of the *Tsun Wan Yat Po*, said defendant came to the office on July 31st and drew his attention to a paragraph which he said was incorrect. Witness requested him to send in a letter and the matter would then be put right. During the conversation, plaintiff came in and a heated argument followed.

Replying to Mr. Fitzroy, witness said that he was told next morning that plaintiff had spent the night in the office. He had not heard defendant threaten that he would kill plaintiff, because during the altercation he had gone from the room.

REPORTERS NEED COURAGE.

Mr. Leask contended that his client behaved quite naturally when he read the derogatory report, and went to the newspaper offices and asked for a retraction. When he saw the reporter he threatened him with prosecution. Plaintiff's evidence had been very unsatisfactory. He had stated that he had obtained the information in the article from a Chinese official at the S.C.A. When he was recalled by His Worship he had retracted that statement and said it was told to him in a conversation. The charge was that defendant's threats alarmed him. "I think," concluded Mr. Leask, "that if any reporter would be alarmed at what defendant had said, then he should not be a reporter on any newspaper in Hongkong."

Mr. Fitzroy said that defendant was certainly angry. The effect of a threat on a man depended entirely on the man himself and the state of his mind. A threat to one man might mean nothing at all, and to another might mean much. The plaintiff, Lau Man Chau, was frightened so much that he feared to return home to Yau-mat-ti that night.

MAGISTRATE'S VIEW.

His Worship said that on the evidence of Mr. Ho, the editor, whose testimony was given honestly, they were told that a heated altercation took place between the parties. Defendant said he did not use threats. Plaintiff said he was afraid to return to Yau-mat-ti. He could not quite believe that plaintiff was afraid. He knew perfectly well that the press cannot be bearded with impunity by any man.

In discharging defendant, His Worship pointed out to him that he had no right to run round and blackguard a man even although he did not mean what he said, and if there was any more trouble in this case the punishment on conviction would be very heavy.

"SHUNYO MARU" AGROUND.

According to a wireless message which was received in Hongkong on Wednesday night, the s.s. *Shunyo Maru*, a Japanese vessel, has gone aground in the Canton River, on the second bar.

The vessel was carrying a cargo of coal direct from Japan to Canton.

The Mitsubishi Bhoji Kaisha, the local agents, are arranging for a salvage boat to be sent to the *Shunyo Maru* as early as possible.

Only brief details of the mishap have reached the Colony, but it is understood that the vessel is not damaged in any way.

BORODIN IN CONTROL. DEVELOPMENTS IN CANTON.

ATTEMPTS TO CARRY BOLSHIEVISM TO OTHER PROVINCES.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

As was stated in the *Daily Press* yesterday Wu Hon Man is suspected by some of the Bolsheviks of being concerned in the assassination of Liu Chung Hoi. Now Sun Fo is also falling under suspicion because the permit to carry the revolver possessed by the assassin was issued by one of Mr. Sun's colleagues—Chu Cheuk Man, a former magistrate of Heungshan. A warrant has been issued for Chu Cheuk Man's arrest.

Whether or not Sun Fo is a "true Red" formed the subject of considerable discussion after the assassination of Liu Chung Hoi. His name was mentioned as a successor to Liu Chung Hoi for the position of Chief of the Labour and Farmers division of the Kuomintang but it was definitely rejected by M. Borodin who as High Commissioner of the Soviet to Canton is now in practically in full control of all political affairs in that City. On the other hand the members of the "Prince" Party, which acknowledges Sun Fo as its head, threaten to withdraw from Canton altogether unless their chief is given a substantial post. The labourers and the farmers in the Kuomintang have so far expressed no opinion regarding the successor to Mr. Li.

The body of Chan Chui Lam, the former editor of the *China News* in Hongkong, who was killed at the same time as Liu Chung Hoi, is now lying in state by the side of that of Liu in the Red Assembly room at the Waichow Guild hall. The funerals, which were to have taken place on August 26th, have been postponed.

SPREAD OF BOLSHIEVISM.

Szechuan and Hunan may soon find themselves in the throes of a Bolshevik problem. Representatives of these provinces are being entertained in Canton and they are expected to return to their homes to carry out the Kuomintang programme. The Szechuanese and the Hunanese now in Canton are former officers and soldiers who failed in their recent campaigns in their respective provinces and they are now seeking new channels of activity. The Kuomintang in Canton has suggested the Bolshevik programme, which these men have accepted.

HONGKONG STUDENTS.

Arrangements are being made in Canton to provide for the students who recently deserted the Hongkong schools. Those who are qualified will be admitted to the Kwangtung University which is under the control of Chau Lu, the Bolshevik chief of the Students Division of the Kuomintang Executive Committee.

A number of Queen's College students announced that they would not return willingly to this Colony. If they were forced to return they stated they would not return to Queen's College, which they described as an "imperialistic institution."

JUNK CUT IN HALF.

TWO BROTHERS BELIEVED LOST.

When the s.s. *Sanuki Maru* arrived in Hongkong yesterday morning, the master of the vessel reported to the Harbour Office that he had run down a *Shankwan* junk, No. 1981H, and it appears that the junk was cut in half.

From the report of the occurrence, it is gathered that the junk, the *Cheung Shing*, was out at her fishing ground, about 17 miles N.E. of Waglan at about 3 a.m. yesterday, when the steamer ran her down and sank her.

The master of the *Sanuki Maru* ordered engines astern and did all he could to rescue the occupants of the junk. Most of them were picked up by a sampans, but it is believed that two of the younger members, stated to be two brothers, were drowned.

"THE BROADCASTERS"

A large audience at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, last night gave no uncertain signs of their appreciation of "The Broadcasters," headed by Messrs. Wallingford Tate and Jack Orichon, in "A Miniature Rescue."

While comparisons of a talented company would be invidious, it is safe to say that all the performers scored a marked success, and the audience's reception promises well for further good attendance to-night and to-morrow night. A matinee performance will be given to-morrow as well.

HONGKONG STRIKERS.

WHAT THEY ARE DOING IN CANTON.

The following are extracts from one of a series of articles now being published in the *Canton Gazette* dealing with the activities of the Hongkong strikers at present in the Chinese City:—

Yesterday (August 19th) the strikers guards held a general meeting. The guards have now six companies, divided into twenty-two sections. Different reports have been made by the chief commander, the chief military and political instructors. The present staff is composed of, a—secretariat, b—military section, c—finance, d—control, e—ordinary affairs. It was decided to ask 50 military students to give military training.

The All Chinese Labour Federation together with the Hongkong Shamen Strikers Committee have organised a propaganda school for strikers. The aim of the school is to give the more active workers the necessary education in order that they may become good propagandists and organisers. The school is located in the building of the peasants school. The first enrolment of students has already begun study. Duration of the course will be two weeks, and then another enlistment will be announced.

There are eight sections of the strikers' guard that have been sent recently to different places in the country to enforce the blockade. Each section is accompanied by a political instructor.

The propaganda school has graduated five sections of five students each. Every day, at 7 o'clock in the evening, these students speak to the strikers in their sleeping quarters or in the open air.

The political Bureau of the Cantonese Army having started a campaign to encourage the soldier to self-denial in order to help the strikers invited one of these sections to come to lecture in the barracks for two days. The main items of the lectures were history of the strike, conditions of Chinese workers in foreign factories, relation between the soldiers and the workers. The soldiers were very much interested in these lectures, and promised to unite with the strikers against the imperialists, concludes the Bolshevik organ in Canton.

COY COOLIES.

SCARCITY OF UNSKILLED LABOUR.

While things are approaching normal in Hongkong, there is a lack of unskilled labourers due to the fact that since the Police Office for supply coolies closed down, there has been a reduction in the rates of pay.

The Sanitary Department, as an example, had a pre-strike strength of nearly 800 scavenging coolies, who were employed at a wage of \$15 and free quarters.

Following the varying rates of pay given during the strike, the Department on August 1st, decided on a monthly basis of \$14 and free quarters—an increase of two dollars. Despite this increase the scavenging strength is at present only 400.

The Botanical and Forestry Department and the Public Works Department also report a scarcity of men. Essential work only is being carried out, other routine work being held up, owing to the lack of unskilled labour.

MARINE COURT CASES.

At the Marine Court, yesterday, before Lieut.-Commander G. F. Hole, R.N., Chung Kwan, master of a trading junk, pleaded not guilty to anchoring his junk in the cable reserve between Blake Pier and the Star Ferry Pier on August 26th.

Police Officer F. H. Hawkes stated that on the date in question he was patrolling the Southern Fairway when his attention was drawn to defendant heaving up his anchor near Blake Pier.

Defendant stated that he did not anchor anywhere and did not know why he was arrested.

He was fined \$10, with ten days' hard labour in default.

Wong Ngau, master of the steam launch *Kwong Chun*, Chi Kam, master of the steam launch *Kwong Chee*, and Leung Yau Shing, master of the steam launch *Kong on*, were all charged with committing a breach of their steam launch licences, in that they were under way on divers days without a certificated engineer on board.

They all pleaded guilty and were each fined \$10, with ten days' hard labour in default.

TYPHOON WARNINGS.

The American Consulate-General received the following typhoon warnings by cable from Manila Observatory at times stated:—

Received at 8 p.m. on August 26th:

Cyclone or typhoon S. of Naha, moving N. or N.N.E.

Typhoon in about 138 deg. Long.

32 deg. Lat. N., moving N.W.

Received at 11.10 a.m. on August 27th:

Cyclone or typhoon E. of Northern Formosa, moving W.N.W.

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NOTICE

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HONGKONG TELEPHONE CO. LTD.
Hongkong, 27th August, 1925. [2563]

PEAK CLUB.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

A THIRD FIANCER DANCE will be held at the Club on SATURDAY, AUGUST 29th, From 9.30 p.m. To 12 (Midnight) Sharp. Tickets for Members and Friends—\$1.50 Each.

LATE PEAK TRAIN at 12.30 a.m.
F. G. HALL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 27th August, 1925. [2563]

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE

THE FIFTH YEARLY DRAWING of 20 DEBENTURES (1920 Issue—\$500 Each) of the HONGKONG CLUB, Payable on WEDNESDAY, the 30th SEPTEMBER, 1925, will be held in the Club Room, at 11 O'CLOCK, a.m. on TUESDAY, the 27th SEPTEMBER, 1925.

MEMBERS OF DEBENTURES are invited to attend the DRAWING.

By Order,
T. A. ROBERTSON, Lt.-Col.,
Secretary.
Hongkong, August 27th, 1925. [2565]

HONGKONG FOOTBALL.

HONGKONG LEAGUE.

SEASON 1925-26.

ENTRIES for the Forthcoming Season, accompanied by ENTRANCE FEE of TWENTY DOLLARS should be sent to me Not Later Than 7th SEPT., 1925.

F. T. JAMES,
Hon. Secretary.
Aberdeen Police Station.
Hongkong, 27th August, 1925. [2564]

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

RUGBY SECTION.

THE MEETING called for TONIGHT 27th INSTANT, HAS BEEN POSTPONED Until TUESDAY, 1st SEPTEMBER at 5.30 p.m.

[2561]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER "NAGPORE."

ARRIVES HONGKONG ON 27TH AUGUST, 1925.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, GIBRALTAR, MARSEILLE, MALTA, PORTSAID, ADEN, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and Delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless Instructions have been given to the contrary Six hours before arrival of the Steamer.

Goods not cleared within 8 days, including date of arrival will be subject to Sale.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS, at 10 a.m. on Mondays and Thursdays, within the Free Storage Period.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 16th Sept., 1925, or they will not be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown.

MAACKINNON, MAACKENZIE & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 27th August, 1925. [2562]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELES VIA PORTS.

THE Steamship "WEST JESTER" having arrived from the above mentioned ports, August 28th, 1925, Consignees are hereby notified that their Cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at Consignee's risk.

Consignees of Cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Office, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned, or Delivery ordered.

All buy orders issued, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined at 10 a.m. on September 3rd, 1925, by Messrs. ANDERSON & ABER, Marine Surveyors.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the Steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be recognized after the Goods have left the Godowns and Cargo undelivered after September 4th, 1925, will be subject to Sale.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading in exchange for delivery order immediately.

AMERICAN PAIR EAST LINE,
STOUTHER & BARKER,
Managing Operators.
Hongkong, 28th August, 1925. [2567]

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

SUBSCRIPTION GRIFPINS, 1925.

OWING to the Conditions ruling in the Colony at present, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Orders for Subscriptions for 1925 MAY BE CANCELLED at the Request of the Purchaser but any such Cancellation must be made in Writing to the SECRETARY before Noon on the 29th DAY OF AUGUST, 1925.

By Order of the Stewards,
H. GREENWOOD,
Acting Secretary. [2543]

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY ORDER OF THE REGISTRAR OF THE SUPREME COURT.

THE Underigned have received Instructions to Sell by

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ON

MONDAY, the 31st AUGUST, 1925,

At Their Sales Room, DUNDRELL STREET.

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LAMMEET BEES,
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BY ORDER OF THE COURT.

HUGHES & HOUGH, LTD., have received Instructions to Sell by

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At their Auction Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road Central, at 2.00 p.m.

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9, Queen's Road Central. [2557]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

M. A. G. D. A. ROCHA has received Instructions to Sell by

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the 7th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1925, at 3 o'clock in the AFTERNOON at his Sales Room, D'AGUIAR STREET, VICTORIA, Hongkong.

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WITH reference to the Offer of New Shares dated the 10th July, 1925 (made to Existing Shareholders of the Company) by the terms of which the sum of \$30 per share was to be paid on or before the 15th July, 1925, and the sum of \$30 per share on or before the 15th October, 1925, the Directors have decided that as regards those Shareholders (having a registered Address in the Far East) who do not feel themselves (owing to present circumstances) in a position to accept the Company's Offer on or before the 15th July, 1925, a further opportunity shall be given to them to take up the New Shares.

Such Shareholders may accordingly take up the New Shares on or before the 15th day of SEPTEMBER, 1925, and may pay the First Instalment of \$30 per New Share on or before that Date. They will, however, be required to pay Interest at 5% per annum on the amount of such First Instalment from the 15th day of JULY, 1925, until the Date of Payment.

The Second Instalment of \$30 per share will be Payable Not Later than the 15th day of DECEMBER, 1925, and the balance of the First Instalment of \$30 per New Share will be Payable from the 15th OCTOBER, 1925, at the Rate of 5% per annum until the Date of Payment.

This Notice will not affect those Shareholders who accept or have accepted the Original Offer and who make payment on the 15th day of JULY, 1925, as regards the First Instalment on or before the 15th July, 1925, and as regards the Second Instalment on or before the 15th October, 1925.

By Order of the Board,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager. [2538]

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Hongkong, 23rd August, 1925. [2552]

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The Daily Press.

Hongkong, August 28th 1925.

BRITISH NAVAL POLICY.

We are glad to learn from our latest

mail advices that the 'defeat of the

'Little Navy' contingent in the recent

'Battle of the Cruisers' in the House

of Commons is generally welcomed by

public opinion in the country.

An extraordinary amount of feeling was

engendered over the policy of the

Admiralty. The attack on the Govern-

ment was made from several quarters;

but it is felt that the decision to proceed

with the naval programme to lay down

four cruisers in the present financial year

is a clear intimation that the Government

have no intention to be side-tracked on

a question of such vital importance to

the Empire as naval strength. It is

highly instructive to note the main lines

along which the opponents of new naval

construction developed their offensive.

There was the attack of the pacifists, who

see in all construction a menace to peace.

There was the economists' attack, based

upon the argument that Great Britain

absolutely cannot afford the money which

cruisers inevitably cost. And there was,

finally, the attack of those who consider

that the Admiralty, through professional

zeal, has exaggerated the possible

dangers against which it may have to

guard.

The pacifists are easily disposed of,

because they carried no weight on this

occasion, nor are they likely to do so

with the people of Britain where the

Navy is concerned. It is perfectly futile

for their spokesmen to perorate about

the League of Nations because it is

realised by every sane person that an

academic body with headquarters on the

Continent, of Europe is not exactly the

authority to which the British at home

and overseas would care to entrust the

safe-guarding of their interests in time

of peril. On the contrary, it is the

British Commonwealth of Free Nations

which stands as the strongest bulwark

of world peace. The British Empire

arms itself for its own protection and

for the sake of those who depend upon

it to keep them secure. The pacifist

argument would only be sound if all

nations were free from ambition, or if

Great Britain were given to aggression

against others. The adequacy of the

Navy is the sure guarantee of the *Par*

Briannica.

The best answer to the economists is

that Britain is able to afford to build

new cruisers because she cannot do other-

wise than build. "Leave the matter

over," said this school: "it will be time

enough to start building in ten years

from now." But the truth is that we

have gone as far as we dare in reducing

naval strength. If it be conceded that

we need a fleet it follows logically that

that fleet must be maintained in efficiency.

And this must be so in justice to the

officers and men who risk their lives, to

the Empire at large which looks to the

British Navy for defence, and to the

people at Home who depend on sea-

carriage for two-thirds of their foodstuff.

But the problem has other bearings.

It is impossible entirely to ignore the

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CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

FRANCE'S DEBT TO U.K.

N. CAILLAUX NOW HOPEFUL OF AGREEMENT.

LONDON, August 28th.

It is officially announced that the Government authorised Mr. Churchill finally to make an offer to accept settlement of the French debt on a basis of 62 annual payments of £12,500,000 on the sole responsibility of France, and subject to agreement as to details, and with a governing condition of proportionate equal treatment by France to her creditors. M. Caillaux reserved his opinion, and promised to submit the proposals to the French Government.

THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

LONDON, August 28th.

The official statement embodying the British debt offer says that the negotiations entered a new phase three weeks ago, when the Cabinet authorised Mr. Churchill to propose to the French Government that France's net obligation should in principle be halved, which involved a payment of £16,000,000 annually during the 62 years of the British payments to America.

The British proposal contemplated a portion of the French payment being dependent on the yield of the Dawes annuities, and it was in response to this offer that M. Caillaux visited London, where he proposed that France should pay in principle a third of her debt to Britain. This means 62 annuities of £10,000,000 on France's sole responsibility.

Though the proposal is a noteworthy advance on the previous French suggestions, the gap between the two proposals remains wide and unbridged. The position is further complicated by impending negotiations for the payment of the French debt to America, in which regard Great Britain at the outset made it perfectly clear that Britain must receive from France proportionate *pari passu* payments to those France might make to America.

In this respect, therefore, any Franco-British agreement could only be provisional pending the outcome of the other negotiations. Britain, however, is deeply concerned in the revival and appeasement of Europe, and felt bound to respond to her Ally's offer, and authorised Mr. Churchill to make the offer already tabled.

WHAT FRANCE WANTS.

LONDON, August 28th.

Mr. Churchill, commenting on the official statement embodying his offer, said that negotiations had not been broken off.

M. Caillaux, in a statement, says that Mr. Churchill agreed to concede a partial moratorium until 1930, but only partly accepted the French demand for a stipulation which M. Caillaux considered essential to any arrangement, namely, that the transfer of annual payments should be suspended in the event of their threatening to disturb the exchanges. M. Caillaux also expressed the view that guarantees should be given that France should in no case have to pay the Allied or Associated Powers higher sums than she received from Germany.

He remarked that the conversations were merely interrupted. He did not point a final conclusion of the arrangement.

LATEST CABLES.

THE BALFOUR MEMORANDUM.

LONDON, August 27th.

From the British viewpoint, the importance of the debt offer lies in the modification of the policy embodied in the famous Balfour Memorandum, which necessitated the payment of at least £20,000,000 annually by France in order to make up, with receipts from other sources, the amount Britain is paying to America.

But M. Caillaux is not yet assured of what is universally regarded as a bargain for France, since the stipulation, that Britain shall receive terms equal to those granted by America to France, means that the last word will probably be spoken in Washington.

It is noteworthy that the payment of £12,500,000 represents 3 per cent. of the French debt, contrasted with 31 per cent. which America hitherto has exacted from her debtors.

M. CAILLAUX LEAVES.

LONDON, August 27th.

M. Caillaux departed for France today. The French Ambassador and a representative of Mr. Churchill bid him farewell.

M. Caillaux, in an interview with *Reuter*, dwelt on the cordiality of the prolonged and sometimes most animated conversations.

The French Cabinet will meet to-night and he will report to it immediately.

"I shall take up my job again as soon as I reach Paris: it is a very big job, you know," he said in conclusion.

FRENCH PRESS COMMENT.

PARIS, August 27th.

The slow reconstitution of Anglo-French financial solidarity is the most cheerful thing that the Paris newspapers have to say as regards the outcome of the London conversations. Some dwell on the heaviness of the burden imposed on France, pointing out that if France pays, as she will her British and American creditors, she will be unable to pay her French creditors.

"The hundred milliard francs we advanced to reconstruct the devastated regions are entirely lost," remarks *L'Espresso*.

The whole problem, says *Le Petit Journal*, seems to lie in the question of what effect the negotiations will have in America.

Le Matin denounces an offensive but baroque suggestion that a British observer should semi-officially attend the negotiations between M. Caillaux and Mr. Andrew Mellon at Washington.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

COMPLICATIONS FEARED.

WASHINGTON, August 27th.

Political observers in Washington are of opinion that the Anglo-French negotiations are likely seriously to complicate the forthcoming negotiations with France and Italy. Officials are loth to discuss the latest development, but evidently expect France to bring pressure on the United States for terms similar to those granted to Britain, while it may be stated on official authority that France will be told that she owes America more than she owes Britain; and, therefore, her annual payments must be greater.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

POLISH PRISONERS SLAIN.

SIXTY PERSONS EXECUTED

AT MINSK.

Moscow, August 27th.

The Soviet authorities, on August 23rd, executed 60 Polish prisoners at Minsk. Apparently the execution was in retaliation for the recent execution of three terrorists at Warsaw.

CAMPAIGN IN MOROCCO.

GENERAL LYAUTEY SUMMONED TO PARIS.

PARIS, August 27th.

General Lyautey has been summoned to France to confer with the Government. Marshal Petain, meanwhile, assumes direction of operations.

ARTIFICIAL SILK.

BRITISH AND GERMAN FIRMS REACH AGREEMENT.

BERLIN, August 27th.

The newspaper report that the British firm, Courtauld, and the Elberfeld firm, Vereinigte Glanzstoff Fabriken, have reached a reciprocal agreement to protect the respective markets of the artificial silk industry.

EARLIER CABLES.

RUSSIAN SYNDICATE.

REPORTED PURCHASES IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, August 26th.

A delegation from a textile syndicate in Russia expects to conclude in a few days negotiations with the Lancashire firms for textile machinery after which, some of the members will proceed to France, whose Minister of Commerce, they say, has offered them every assistance in the matter of credits.

The others will remain in London to continue negotiations with Lancashire and Yorkshire firms.

Members of the delegation, interviewed, declared that they have already signed contracts with three Lancashire firms involving a considerable sum, and added that they are anxious to place orders in England. Despite more attractive offers made by Germany, no orders had so far been placed in Germany.

EARLIER CABLES.

SECURITY PACT.

BERLIN POLITICAL CIRCLES ARE DISAPPOINTED.

LONDON, August 28th.

The text of the French reply to the German Note of July 20th on the subject of security has been published, and reiterates the declaration in the French Note of June 16th that the Security Pact cannot affect the provisions of the Treaty of Peace relative to the occupation of the Rhineland. France and her Allies were convinced that Germany's entry into the League of Nations is the only solid basis for mutual guarantee and European agreement, but Germany must enter on the same conditions as other nations. The allies were not qualified to discuss the conditions of Germany's entry, which the council of the League decided.

Referring to the German reservations and arbitral conventions to be concluded between Germany and her neighbours, the reply emphasises that the primary object of the Allies is to render a fresh resort to force impossible, therefore compulsory arbitration is an indispensable condition of any pact.

It concludes by dwelling on the difficulties and delays involved by the exchange of Notes, and therefore invites Germany to enter into negotiations, earnestly trusting that they will result in the conclusion of a definitive treaty.

LATEST CABLES.

BERLIN IS DISAPPOINTED.

BERLIN, August 27th.

The vagueness of the Allied Security Note has disappointed political circles here, who nevertheless welcome the opportunity for a conference, steps for which are already being taken by Allied and German Diplomats. It is expected that it will open in London next week.

EARLIER CABLES.

FRENCH IN SYRIA.

REVERSES REPORTED.

JERUSALEM, August 28th.

It is reliably reported that following a heavy engagement, in which the Druses forced the French to evacuate Khirbet el Ghazali, north of Damascus, another heavy engagement took place last night.

A French column advancing from the south-east on Ezraa was compelled to evacuate strong positions, the Druses following up the retreating French. The latter's losses are heavy, and an armoured car, and an aeroplane were destroyed. French aeroplanes are bombarding a village near Ezraa.

AUSTRALIAN STRIKES.

DEPORTATION SUMMONSES ISSUED.

MELBOURNE, August 26th.

Deportation summonses are being issued against four persons connected with the seamen strike.

British shipping, totalling 200,000 tons is now idle at Australian ports.

The Governments of Tasmania, Victoria, and South Australia, replying to Mr. Bruce's request, promised to take the necessary steps to protect seamen remaining loyal to their agreements.

RAILWAY DISCONTENT.

BRISBANE, August 28th.

A general railway strike is threatened on August 31st to demand the restoration of a recent 5 per cent. reduction in wages.

"HOCH"

GERMANS BELGIANS

DEPARTURE.

COLOGNE, August 28th.

The Belgians handed over the Duisburg-Bahnhof Bridgehead at midnight, completing the evacuation sanctions in that area.

The Church bells of three towns rang, and the café and cabarets were allowed to remain open all night long. Orchestras at midnight played "Deutschland Ueber Alles" to prodigious vocal accompaniment.

EARLIER CABLES.

DRUG DISCUSSIONS.

LEAGUE COMMITTEE BUST.

GENEVA, August 28th.

The morning session of the League of Nations advisory committee on opium was chiefly devoted to a discussion of the subject of Indian hemp.

At the afternoon session, replying to Sir Malcolm Delevingne's remarks, alleging the manufacture on a large scale of cocaine in Japan, a big quantity of which must remain on balance, large supplies finding their way to other countries which are, therefore, unrequited for local consumption, Dr. Tsurumi (Japan) declared that his Government would investigate the matter, and if the facts were proved, would reduce the manufacture further. He stated that the production of cocaine and heroin was confined to medical and scientific purposes.

The question of anti-drug propaganda raised an interesting discussion, resulting in the committee agreeing that propaganda was more harmful than otherwise. Sir John Jordan, referring to the present day difficulties of securing fuller information on the cultivation of opium in China, said that Chinese gunboats, instead of seizing opium, were employed in transporting it.

With regard to the Canadian-American Treaty for extradition in respect of offences against the drug laws, the committee decided to draw the attention of the League Council to the matter.

With a view to similar treaties with other Powers, Sir Malcolm Delevingne said that the question of a similar Anglo-American Treaty was at present being considered by the British Government.

QUEEN OF HOLLAND.

WISHES BIRTHDAY FUND FOR TYPHOON SUFFERERS.

THE HAGUE, August 28th.

The Queen of Holland expressed a wish for collections to be made in Holland on her birthday for the sufferers in the cyclone in the East Netherlands on August 10th. It is hoped that Dutchmen abroad will meet Her Majesty's wishes.

LATEST CABLES

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

IMMIGRANTS FOR U.S.A.

EXAMINATION BEFORE SAILING PROVES SUCCESS.

WASHINGTON, August 27th.

Interviewed on his return from Europe, the Minister of Labour, Mr. Davis, said that the experiment of examining would-be immigrants from Britain and from Ireland before embarkation, had succeeded beyond his expectations and was solving one of the greatest problems of handling immigrants. Mr. Davis foreboded that the plan would shortly be extended to all the principal countries.

TENNIS IN U.S.A.

FURTHER RESULTS IN GAMES FOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

BROOKLINE, August 27th.

In the contest for the National doubles championship to-day, results were: Patterson and Hawkes beat Lott and Williams by 6-3, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3, 6-3. Johnston and Griffin defeated Tilden and Wiener by 7-9, 6-1, 6-7, 6-4, 6-1. Richards and Williams defeated Manuel Alfaro and Flaqueur by 6-1, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3.

ATHRACITE COALFIELDS.

NO HOPE OF AVERTING STOPPAGE OF WORK.

WASHINGTON, August 27th.

It is reliably stated that Government observers do not see any hope of averting stoppage of work in the athracite coal fields, at least from September 1st.

Mr. S. B. B. McDermid and the members of the jury who are enquiring into the Po Hing Fong disaster visited the scene yesterday afternoon. The enquiry will be resumed next week.

Further schools re-opening on September 1st are the Italian, Convent, St. Mary's (Kowloon), and St. Francis English Schools, as well as the short-hand classes in Caine Road and St. Mary's.

The telephone service between Hong Kong and Kowloon will be restricted during Saturday and Sunday whilst one of the submarine cables is being repaired. It is expected that the full service will be restored on Monday.

On Wednesday afternoon a detachment of soldiers from the 1st Battalion, the East Surrey Regt., threw a cordon around the Hokkaido district, while the police carried out another raid on suspected idlers. About ten Chinese were taken into custody. Police officers present were Mr. T. H. King (Director of Criminal Intelligence), and Mr. W. B. Scott (2nd A.S.P.).

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HEAVY RAINS IN JAPAN.

IMMENSE DAMAGE DONE BY SUDDEN FLOODS.

Tokyo, August 27th.

Yesterday afternoon's rains resulted in 40,000 houses being damaged in Tokyo, with 1,000 partly submerged in Yokohama.

There were several casualties, including two deaths resulting from landslides which caused a tramcar to overturn and derailed a passenger train.

Millions of yen damage is estimated to have been done. Large areas of the Saitama prefecture have been flooded but detailed reports from outlying districts are hampered by the damage to communications. The floods are subsiding this morning.

DEATHS IN YOKOHAMA.

Tokyo, August 27th.

Official reports confirm this morning's story of the floods adding, that there were four deaths in Yokohama.

A few bridges were destroyed and several houses carried away in Saitama, Chiba and Shimozu prefectures.

IN BANDIT HANDS.

DR. HOWARD'S CAPTIVES ESCAPE BY RIVER.

Peking, August 27th.

The bandits, with their captive Dr. Howard, escaped on August 24th by boat. They proceeded to Huachuan in Kirin Province, Chinese troops are pursuing them, but are one day behind.

ITALIAN AIRMAN.

ARRIVES AT MANILA.

MANILA, August 27th.

Major Di Pinedo arrived here at 8.30 this morning.

THIRSTY WEATHER DRINKS.

NEW AND OLD WAYS OF MAKING LEMON-BEVERAGES.

This thirsty weather is the time for making beverages which are palatable as well as being really thirst-quenching.

The old-fashioned "imperial" water served the needs of our grandmothers very well indeed. To make this "drink," the rinds of three lemons, mixed with four to five ounces of sugar, must be laid at the bottom of an earthenware crock or pan. An ounce of cream of tartar must then be boiled in three quarts of water until completely dissolved, when the liquid is poured over the other ingredients. Stand for 24 hours before straining through muslin and bottling.

"AMBROSIAL" LEMONADE.

An "ambrosial" lemonade can be produced by the following recipe: Thinly peel about half a dozen large lemons and steep their rinds in a quart of water. Next morning the fluid should be strained and sweetened, while the rescued rinds can be boiled in a fresh quart of water. Mix the juice of the peeled lemons with that of two oranges and add a pint of fresh milk. Stir a little, and then add the first brew of the sweetened liquid. The boiled peel water can afterwards be added while still hot. After cooling the lemonade should be well strained.

A restorative and refreshing pick-me-up can be made from the yolks of two eggs well beaten up with two ounces of powdered sugar. When a tablespoonful of orange-water has been added all should be beaten and half a pint of boiling water poured on.

A SIMPLE "QUENCHER."

A simply prepared lemon "quencher" can be evolved by boiling a sliced lemon, together with eight lumps of sugar, in a pint of milk, afterwards straining. Delightfully "fizzy" and quickly prepared is a drink made by straining the juice of a large lemon in a tumbler three-quarters filled with water and sugared to individual taste before adding a pinch of carbonate of soda.

Children love "bubbly" beverages and should appreciate the following ginger-beer, which can be used the day after preparation. To an ounce and a half of bruised ginger allow the proportion of one and a quarter ounces of cream of tartar, two pounds of lump sugar, and the peel and juice of two lemons. The ginger and fruit rinds should be well bruised together in a mortar with half a pound of sugar and then placed with the other ingredients in a large pan. Six quarts of boiling water must then be added and, after the mixture has cooled to lukewarmness, a couple of tablespoonfuls of brewers' yeast can be mixed in. Allow ten hours for the consequent fermentation before straining, bottling, tight-corking and depositing in a cool place.

A useful lemon sherbet, which can be made at home and utilised as an economical beverage for thirsty members of the family, is compounded of the following ingredients: One ounce of citric acid and two drachms of essence of lemon, to four pounds of caster sugar—well mixed. Two teaspoonfuls of this mixture stirred in a tumbler of water make a good thirst quencher.

TECHNIQUE OF PUTTING.

A TALK TO BEGINNERS BY A GOLFER.

Putting cannot be taught like driving or approaching, at which success is contingent upon obedience to a more or less fixed technique. Putters reach the goal by an almost infinite variety of often highly divergent routes and methods. However, it may safely be said that the club should be lightly held in the fingers, not gripped in the palms, though "lightly" does not mean feebly.

Further, the ball should be nearly opposite the left foot, and the arms close to the sides. Nevertheless, if you find that you get better results with a first grip, the ball opposite the right foot and the arms close to the sides—carry on. Some very good putters say the ball, others, equally successful, hit it freely and "follow through" after it. Whichever method be adopted, there must be no suspicion of jerk or stab.

When "addressing" the ball it is advisable to turn the club slightly outwards. This will correct a very common tendency to turn the club head inwards as the ball is struck, with the result that it diverges to the left. The hands must not be drawn in to the body when the stroke is made, but allowed to go forward. This is best ensured by "following through."

A USEFUL MAXIM.

The ancient maxim, "Keep your eye on the ball" applies to all strokes, but to none with greater importance than the putt. Lifting the head is absolutely fatal, and after the ball has sped on its way the eyes should remain glued to the spot where it was. In dealing first with the execution of a putt one has put the cart before the horse, for before the ball is "addressed" it will usually be necessary to study the "line" to the hole. On a perfectly flat green the "line" is straight and the player's main concern is to hit the ball with the right strength.

Here be it said that for one shot that is too strong, at least twenty stop short of the target. Remember, "Never up, never in," and give the ball a chance of going down. Most greens, however, are undulating, and here the "line" will not only be curved but may be painfully suggestive of a corker. It is often helpful to survey the situation from the hole as well as from the ball. Having got the "line," it is useful to select some intermediate point on it, and aiming at this, to concentrate on making the ball pass over it. Some players like the intermediate point, which may be a blade of grass, near the ball, others prefer it halfway or farther.

THE NEXT AGE.

GEN. SMUTS PREDICTS HIGHER SPECIES OF HUMANITY.

General Smuts's fascinating presidential address before the South African Association for the Advancement of Science at Oudshoorn on July 6th referred to the possibility that Europe 10,000 years hence would experience another great ice age. The South African climate, he observed, will also gradually become cooler, until we shall again have more moist and rainy conditions than to-day, and wildernesses will have passed away. In all probability our present human races will before the next phase have disappeared and given place to a higher species of humanity, which it is hoped, will occupy the next age.

Enlarging on the fact that South Africa was ten thousand years behind the times as measured by European standards of culture, the ex-Premier pointed out that its Bushmen were nothing but living fossils whose contemporaries disappeared from Europe thousands of years ago. The Tswana skull was the latest of the series of outstanding finds which showed the possibilities of South Africa as a great field of research into the human past. In botany, also, there were, in South Africa, true living fossils like the cycads. Certain biological problems could, therefore, in this country still be studied in life which in Europe could only be deduced with difficulty from fossil records. Discoveries already made pointed to the possibility that South Africa might yet figure as the cradle of mankind, or, at least, one of the cradles. The ground for paleontological research lay covered with the possibilities of great discoveries, and he trusted that South African science would yet earn for itself the scientific leadership of the Southern Hemisphere.

General Smuts mentioned that two years ago in London he discussed with Dr. Simpson the measures which should be taken to place the South African meteorological service on a proper basis. Hard times prevented the execution of his plans, but his successors had better luck, and he hoped they would exploit the opportunity. If the Union and Australia, following the example of Argentina, could agree each to maintain an Antarctic station opposite or to the north-west of their respective territories, and the work of the various Antarctic stations could be co-ordinated, the results might be of great value, not only to pure science, but the Union's productive industries. The round table of meteorology should become the meeting place of the scattered members of the ancient mother continent of Gondwanaland.

In connection with the Rugby season of the Hongkong Football Club, a meeting of members and others interested is to be held at 8.30 p.m. on September 1st at the Hongkong Cricket Club for the purpose of discussing arrangements for the forthcoming season.

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STARTLING ACCUSATIONS IN A
RECENT BOOK.

As mentioned in the London Letter in our issue of August 24th, a sensation was caused in literary circles at Home recently by the publication of a volume of impressionist sketches ("Portraits and Criticisms" by Captain Peter Wright) in which the author levelled certain remarkable allegations against the late W. E. Gladstone.

In reviewing the book, a famous London paper said:—

"And what shall be said of a sentence in which Gladstone is branded not only as a hypocrite but as a debauched sensualist."

Here is an aspersion upon a great name and an honoured memory which can hardly pass unchallenged. Mr. Gladstone's family, with his incriminated followers and successors, will, no doubt, feel themselves entitled to call for the evidence upon which this startling accusation is based.

The following correspondence has, since passed between Viscount Gladstone and Mr. H. N. Gladstone, sons of the former Prime Minister, on the one hand, and Captain Wright on the other:—

4, Cleveland-Square, St. James's, S.W.
July 22nd, 1925.
Mr. Peter Wright,—"Your garbage about Mr. Gladstone in 'Portraits and Criticisms' has come to our knowledge. You are a liar. Because you slander a dead man you are a coward. And because you think that the public will accept inventions from such as you, you are a fool."

I associate myself with this letter.
H. N. GLADSTONE.
Hawarden Castle, North Wales.

My Lord,—"I am in receipt of your lordship's outburst dated July 22nd."

I attributed to Mr. Gladstone the character of a hypocrite in matters of sex. I have evidence of his conduct as good as any that exists about events in the past. I wrote what I did write on the authority of the late Lord Milner; to use Milner's own phrase, Mr. Gladstone was "governed by his seraglio." This foible had considerable political effects. One affair turned Mr. Gladstone from being a friend of Turkey and an enemy of Russia, as he was in the 'fifties, into being a friend of Russia and an enemy of Turkey, as he was in the 'eighties.

Mr. Gladstone's hypocritical character, which in no way detracts from his merits as a public financier, is the common, though it may not be the official, reputation of him that has descended to us. It was crystallised in Leboeuf's famous epigram—"that Gladstone might be caught playing cards with a fifth ace up his sleeve, but he would only explain that God had put it there." This contemporary reputation is strikingly confirmed by the circumstances of the Parnell case as we now know them. Gladstone not only connived at Parnell's illicit relations with Mrs. O'Shea but utilised them for his own political purposes. Parnell's sin was Gladstone's opportunity. As soon as the misconduct was made known and public in divorce proceedings Gladstone was foremost in denouncing its immorality.

This hypocrisy in the case of another is more heinous than any hypocrisy in the case of himself. Strong temptation might excuse his own departure from his own avowed principles; no such excuse can be found in the case of another. Knowing he could commit the greater offence, I do not find it difficult to believe he could commit the smaller.

These various considerations prompted the remarks about Mr. Gladstone at which you take offence. Thus based, my views are unshaken even by the impact of your lordship's controversial language, which, if I may say so without impudence, must rather have been acquired by practice in your lordship's pantry than by the exercise of your lordship's talents for debate in the House of Lords—"I am, Your Lordship's obedient servant."

Peter E. Wright
The Bath Club, Dover-Street, W.
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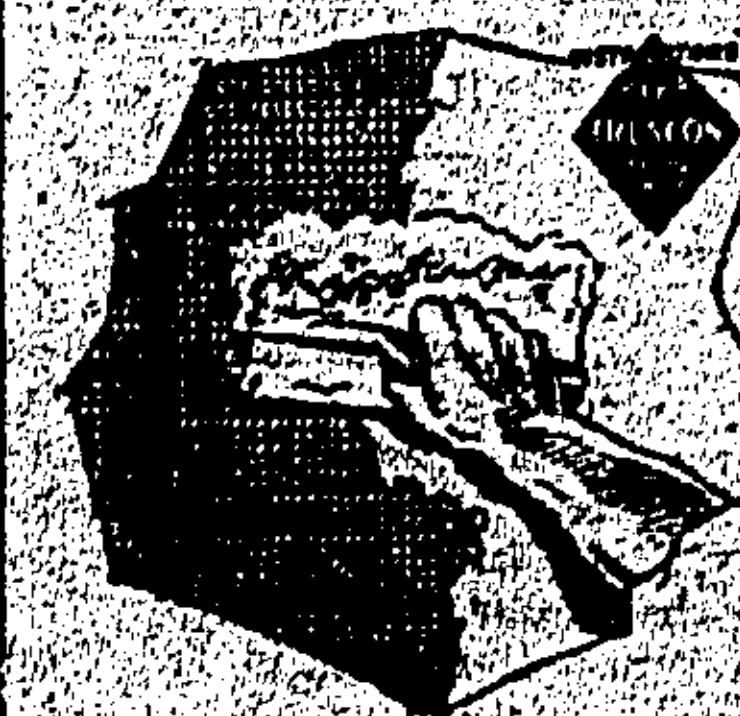
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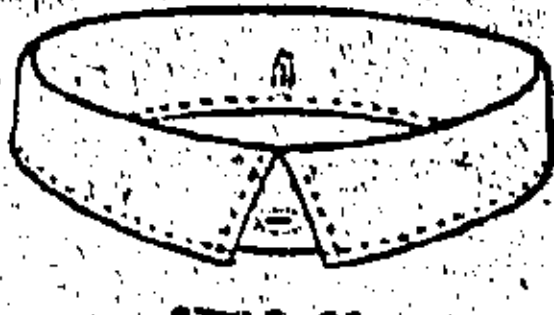


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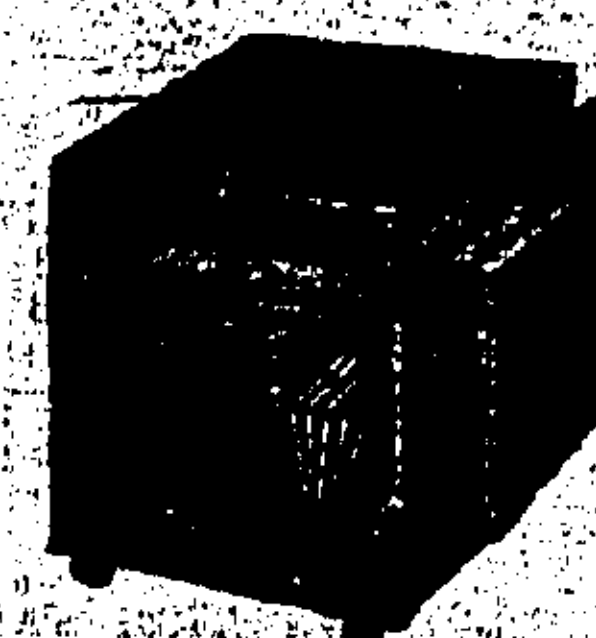
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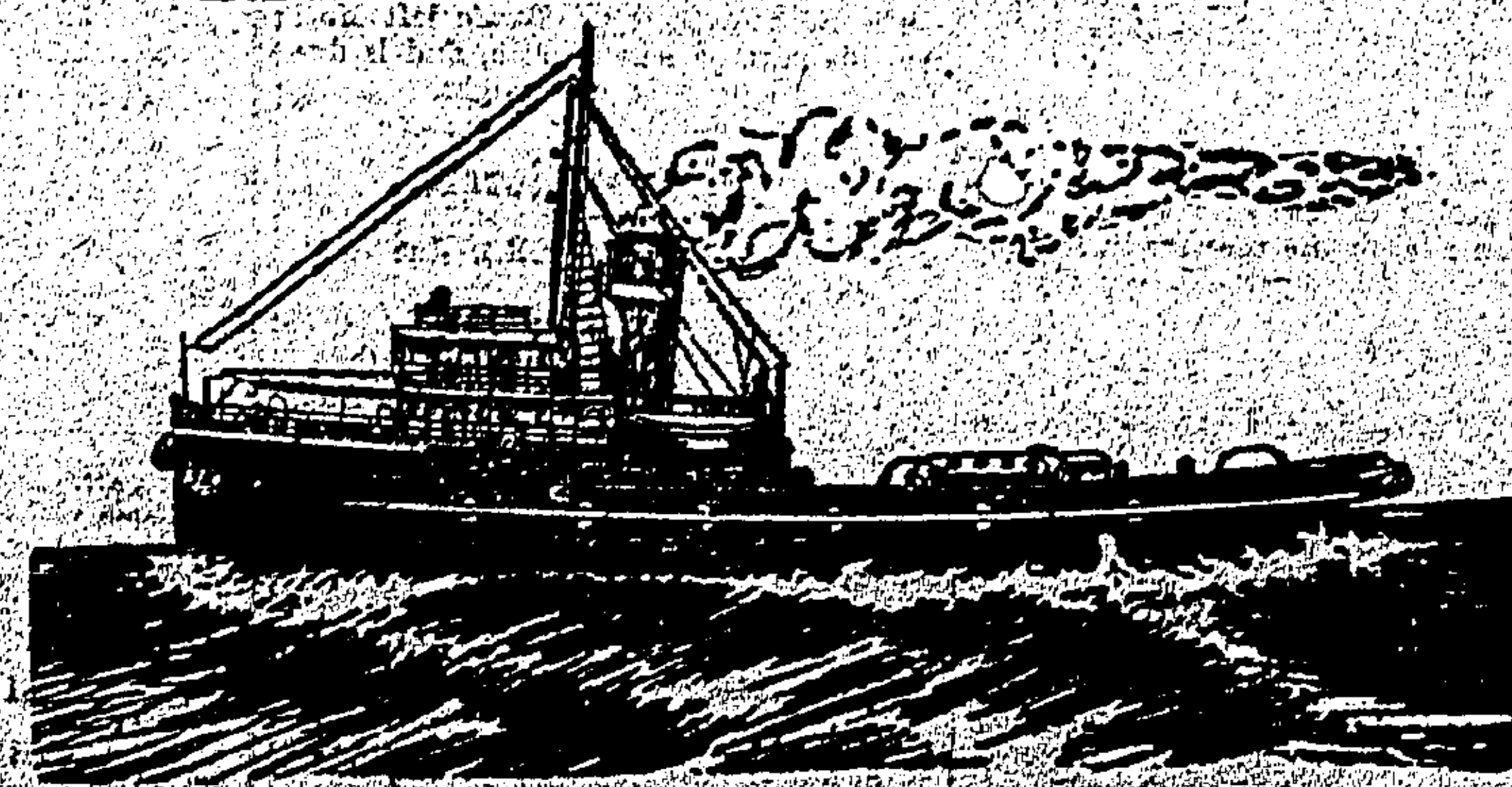
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CANADA, U.S.A., JAPAN, SHANGHAI & EUROPE via SIBERIA, London 7th Aug.	Pres. Jefferson	28th August
MANILA via Negapatam (Papers only), London, 30th July	Pres. Lincoln	28th August
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	Pres. Cleveland	3rd Sept.

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FOR	PER	DATE
Macau (correspondence specially superscribed "By Train" only)	Kishan	Friday, 28th, 7.15 a.m.
Bangkok	Train	8.15 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Bingang	12.30 p.m.
	Namsang	Noon
Shanghai	Zomut	1.00 p.m.
Manila	Sui An	2.00 p.m.
Wei Hai Wei	Huichow	2.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Nagpoor	2.50 p.m.
Haiphong	Song Bo	5.00 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 27th Sept.	Atrata Maru	Registration 5.00 p.m. Letters 5.00 p.m.
Hoikow and Haiphong	Koying	Saturday, 28th, 8.30 a.m.
Japan	Ginyo Maru	10.30 a.m.
Manila	Gema	12.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A. & America, & EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—due San Francisco, 28th Sept.	Pres. Lincoln	Parcels Noon Registration 2.15 p.m. Letters 3.00 a.m.
Manila	Pres. Jefferson	3.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Honan Maru	Sunday, 30th, 9.00 a.m.
Japan	Kaga Maru	9.00 a.m.
Manila	Pres. Van Buren	Monday, 31st, 5.00 p.m.
— SEPTEMBER —		
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 1st Oct.	Paul Locat	Tuesday, 1st, Registration 10.45 a.m. Letters 11.30 a.m.
Manila, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Is.—10th Sept.	Tunda	Parcels 5.00 p.m. Reg. 9.15 a.m. Letters 9.00 a.m.
Japan	Hwang	Wednesday, 2nd, 10.30 a.m.
Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ching	10.30 p.m.
Straits	Van Overstraten	11.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Fookang	1.00 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central & South America and EUROPE via VANCOUVER, B.C.—due Vancouver, B.C., 21st September, & Europe via Siberia (correspondence specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only)	Emp. of Canada	Thursday, 3rd, Parcels 5.00 p.m. Reg. 9.15 a.m. Letters 10.00 a.m.
Manila	Pres. Cleveland	Friday, 4th, 12.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 2nd Oct.	Narkunda	Saturday, 5th, 9.15 a.m. Letters 10.00 a.m.

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Reserves.....Fr. 10,790,000

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Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

Correspondents throughout the World.

A. ROLLIN, Manager.

Hongkong, 12th July, 1924.

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行銀國中

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Authorized Capital.....\$40,000,000.00

Paid-up Capital.....18,775,660.00

Reserve Funds.....9,623,415.34

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Every description of Banking Business transacted.

Loans granted on Approved Securities.

Special facilities for Home Exchange.

BUYER FRANK, Manager.

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Subscribed Capital.....£1,800,000

Paid-up Capital.....£1,050,000

Reserve Fund.....£1,300,000

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J. B. BOGS, Acting Manager.

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THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LIMITED.

(TAIWAN GINCO.)

Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Capital Subscribed.....Yen 60,000,000

Capital (Paid-up).....Yen 52,500,000

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HONGKONG BRANCH: Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

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Z. YAMAMOTO, Manager.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1925.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

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G. ABIMA, Manager.

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BANK.

Established 1824.

Hongkong Branch, established 1899.

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Reserve Fund.....23,688,870

Special Reserve.....21,711,406

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LOOK POONG SHAN, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 20th August, 1925.

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